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COMMITTEE ON PROCUREMENT OF FOREIGN PUBLICATIONS

7 December 1961

Mr. Reger Hilsman, Director Bureau of Intelligence and Research Department of State Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Mr. Hilsman,

We have learned recently that as a result of an inspection of the Embassy. Paris, your hispectors raised the question of combining the two Publications Procurement Officer positions at Paris and London into one position. The report in question was dated 5 September 1961.

25X1A9a Mr. Chief of our CIA Library Acquisitions Branch
25X1A12a The paper very clearly states the necessity for maintaining both positions from the point of view of intelligence collection.

On 5 December 1961 at an executive session of the USIB Committee on the Procurement of Foreign Publications (PROCIB), I presented the question for discussion, and every one present was distressed at the thought of the abolition of either the London or the Paris Regional Publications Procurement Officer position.

Sincerely yours.

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Chairman, Committee on Procurement

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